

Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group (CAG)
Minutes of February 11, 2004 (Draft)

Minutes by Dorothy Shoemaker

Present at meeting:

Neighborhood Associations

Robin Plance (b) (6) St. Johns
Chair, Administrative committee
coordinator

Peter Laughingwolf (b) (6) Cathedral Park (*Please note
correction*)

Business

Rob DeGraff (b) (6) (*please note correction from
previous minutes*)

Steve Gunther (b) (6)
Progressive Products and Services

Environment

Dorothy Shoemaker (b) (6) Sierra Club
Evaluation committee coordinator, Board Secretary

Rhett Lawrence rhett@ospirg.org OSPIRG
Travis Williams travis@willamette-riverkeeper.org Willamette Riverkeeper

Health

Jane Harris jane@oregon-health.org OCEH

Recreation:

Bill Barrett (b) (6) Waterfront Org. of Oregon (*Please
Note correction from previous minutes*)
Raquel Coyote (b) (6) Citizen

At-Large

Jim Robison (b) (6)

Jackie Calder (b) (6)

Excused Absences:

Neighborhood Associations:

Larry Talbert (b) (6) Hi Noon
Cathy Crawford (b) (6) University Park

Environment:

Joe Keating (b) (6) Education and Outreach coordinator

Other Participants:

Sue Safford	Port of Portland	saffos@portptld.com
Anne Summers	Port of Portland	summea@portptld.com
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Katy Daily	NET	kdaily@mrsspx.com
Fenix Grange	DEQ	grange.fenix@deq.state.or.us
Barbara Smith	LWG	Barbara@harrisandsmith.com
Jim Anderson	DEQ	Anderson.jim@deq.state.or.us
Judy Smith	EPA	smithjudy@epa.gov
(b) (6)		
Amanda Guay	DHS/SHINE	Amanda.m.guay@state.or.us
Matt McClinsy	DEQ	

Feb. 11, 2004, Meeting brought to order at 6:00 PM by Robin Plance, Chair of CAG.

Warning from Robin that everyone needs to sign in.

Introductions

The December signup sheet has been lost. Travis had it last.

The next meeting will be March 10, 2004, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

Steve Gunther announced the NEBC meeting coming up soon. The subject is the Willamette River Authority (the State level government entity). The cost is \$45.00. Steve had information.

Another Port tour has been scheduled for Feb. 21. It's a Saturday, from 10:00 AM to noon. See Sue Safford.

Steve asked how much money we have. Travis says it's \$300 less the \$150 which Dorothy Shoemaker was refunded for refreshments and office supplies. The subject was referred to the administration committee discussion.

MOTION: Approve the January minutes. Jim moved, Rob seconded. Amendment: Correct email address to (b) (6)

. To the paragraph about the PDC, add that we would like them to make a presentation to the CAG.

VOTE: Accept amendments, vote on motion to accept minutes: All agreed.

EDUCATION AND OUTREACH:

Robin led the discussion, as Joe Keating was unable to attend the meeting.

Robin, Jim and Raquel have been talking about putting together a CAG brochure. Jackie and Steve also expressed interest. Jackie would like to table for the CAG, so needs literature. So the five of them agreed to form an adhoc committee to produce a brochure.

Robin would like to start developing an agenda for our retreat. One topic is that he would like to promote us in the media.

Steve has written an alternative annual report. He based it on Robin's letter, but reworded it to come from the entire CAG instead of first person, and added paragraphs. As it was only distributed the day of the meeting, discussion was postponed. Dorothy will collect comments on Steve's reports.

Technical consultants for the Lower Willamette Group will meet with Regina and Vinh to discuss the hydrodynamic model. Robin will invite Regina and Vinh to talk to us about modeling at the March CAG meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Jim would like to add a labor representative to the CAG. Jane will call Billy Washington from EJAG to reinvite him.

Dorothy bought a multipurpose printer/copier/fax/scanner. It cost approximately \$300.00.

MOTION: Reimburse Dorothy for the printer with the remaining \$150.00 which WRK is holding for the CAG. Travis moved, Steve seconded. All agreed.

Dorothy has been bringing refreshments, in general. We discussed how to pay for refreshments, and Raquel suggested that everyone take turns. This plan was agreed to by a majority. So Dorothy will come up with a schedule. Robin volunteered to bring refreshments in March. Those who can't bring food and drink on their meeting evening, should find a substitute.

Steve has written a list of goals for the CAG. He distributed copies.

PRESENTATION ON PORT:

Sean Seldrake of the EPA, with help from Anne Summers and Sue Safford of the Port of Portland, and Judy Smith of the EPA, discussed the Port early action.

The steps are:

Data collection

EE/CA work plan

Select cleanup method

Jane asked if dioxins and furans will be tested. Sue said she'd get back to Jane with this information.

Anne said that she'd send a list of toxics being studied to Jane and Robin.

Based on current data, they expect cores to be clean at 10 feet. They will be collecting lower cores, but not testing these samples unless it becomes necessary from future data.

Robin asked for a presentation on upland cleaning by the Port.

The cleanup at the Port of Portland looks at stormwater for contamination. The Port has a separate storm water management program.

The Port submitted a draft EE/CA work plan in December 2003. The final EE/CA work plan will be available for public comment on February 23, 2004. Fieldwork starts in March 2004.

Robin will get Regina and Vinh to look at the work plan.

The Port spent \$3 million to write the EE/CA work plan.

Judy passed out the draft community involvement plan from the EPA.

Jane told Judy that she thinks the EPA should put more documents on the web.

The EPA will post the EE/CA work plan on the web, and make CD's available.

PRESENTATION ON GUNDERSON:

Matt McClincy, the DEQ manager for the Gunderson site, gave a presentation on the upcoming early action cleanup at Gunderson.

There was a trichlorethylene (TCA) spill in 1980. It is heavier than water, so sank into the ground. It has spread, and is reaching the Willamette. Gunderson is running tests on their stormwater and building an extraction well.

Matt provided copies of his slides.

RETREAT: April 3, 2004 from 9 AM to 4 PM. Location TBA by Robin.

The presentation schedule suggested in the agenda was approved:

March – Fish Data

April – River Renaissance (City of Portland)

May – Tribes

June – TMDL/DEQ

July – Willamette River Authority (DEQ)

October – Election

Meeting adjourned 8:05 PM.

